

## **5109 - FIREFIGHTER II**

### **NATURE OF WORK**

Specialized work in protecting life and property through firefighting, providing emergency medical and rescue services and participating in fire prevention and training activities with some supervisory responsibilities. Work includes maintenance, driving and operation of all fire/rescue equipment, apparatus and vehicles.

### **ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF ESSENTIAL DUTIES**

Clean and maintain assigned apparatus and personal gear.  
Attend roll call to receive assignments and current information.  
Clean fire station and surrounding area.  
Attend classes on apparatus maintenance and operation, and fire/rescue techniques.  
Participate in company drills.  
Participate in officer training and self-initiated career development.  
Direct and assist in responding to citizen inquiries or complaints.  
Maintain knowledge of current local street grid system.  
Maintain knowledge of location of principal water mains, sprinkler buildings, and hydrants.  
Respond to service calls, including fire of fire-alarms calls, rescue calls.  
Inspect buildings and structures for compliance with fire codes and for pre-fire planning.  
Drive and operate all fire/rescue apparatus vehicles.  
Instruct firefighters on fire department operations and procedures.  
Determine, supervise, and report the utilization of assigned fire/rescue apparatus, equipment, personnel, and techniques.  
Direct the work of a limited number of firefighters.  
Report defects on equipment and apparatus to the appropriate officer.  
Write fire/rescue incident reports.  
Provide input to supervisors on the performance evaluations of firefighters.  
Supervise change over to reserve apparatus to assure all pertinent equipment is transferred or accounted for.  
Write and transcribe observations and information from fire/rescue calls and building inspections on departmental forms and reports.  
Act in the capacity of team leader and liaison between firefighters and officers.  
Perform related work as required.

### **KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES**

Knowledge of the operation of all equipment carried on fire/rescue apparatus.  
Knowledge of local geography of the City (street grid system) and the location of water mains, sprinkler building and hydrants.  
Knowledge of hydraulics and pumping procedures and their applications.

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Knowledge of fire/rescue protocol and rescue procedures.  
Knowledge of firefighting methods and practices.  
Knowledge of rules and regulations of fire department.  
Knowledge of fire prevention methods and practices.  
Knowledge of supervisory practices and procedures.  
Knowledge of employee performance evaluation procedures training methods and practices.  
Ability to drive and operate all fire/rescue apparatus and equipment.  
Ability to supervise, train and manage firefighters in performance of various job tasks.  
Ability to apply the basic mechanical, physical and construction principles and concepts as relevant to fire/rescue and maintenance applications.  
Ability to carry out critical or routine instruction and perform accurately without hesitation even under emergency or hazardous conditions.  
Ability to read, interpret, and apply information from diagrams, charts, and gauges.  
Ability to understand, retain, and apply appropriate written, verbal, and demonstrated information a variety of situations, analyze information from a variety of sources, assess a situation, draw valid conclusions, and take appropriate action.  
Ability to evaluate work of subordinates.  
Ability to give verbal and written instructions.  
Ability to establish and maintain an effective working relationship with other employees and the public.  
Ability to accurately describe observations, circumstances, and activities verbally and in writing.  
Ability to perform cleaning and maintenance of fire station, surrounding area, fire/rescue apparatus, and related equipment and personal gear.  
Ability to physically perform tasks which may be strenuous and prolonged in emergency or non-emergency situations.  
Ability to perform tasks requiring balance, motor-coordination, and dexterity.  
Ability to swim.  
Ability to learn and adapt to changes in fire/rescue technology and procedures.  
Ability to communicate in writing.  
Ability to communicate orally.  
Ability to perform general arithmetic functions: addition, subtraction, division, multiplication, square roots and basic equations.  
Ability to perform all rescue techniques and tasks.  
Ability to operate hand and power tools.  
Ability to operate and drive all fire/rescue apparatus and equipment.

## **MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS**

Employed by the City with two (2) years Regular status as a Firefighter I immediately preceding the written test date. Driver's License.

## **SUPERVISION RECEIVED**

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General and specific assignments are received and work follows prescribed work methods; however, employee has latitude for independent judgement. Resourcefulness and team work are required.

### **SUPERVISION EXERCISED**

May direct firefighters in apparatus and equipment use and maintenance; command fire teams; assume supervisory duties in the absence of a higher supervising officer.

### **ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS**

Perform firefighting, rescue, and prevention activities.

Supervise the work of firefighters in their unit.

Comprehend and retain technical knowledge in the field of fire suppression/rescue.

Drive, operate, and maintain fire/rescue apparatus and equipment.

Communicate effectively both orally and in writing.

Make quick decisions usually under emergency or high-stress conditions.

Relate well with co-workers, superiors, and the public.

Apply emergency medical care methods and procedures.

Physical strength, coordination, and agility required to perform technical aspects of job.

Work in potentially hazardous (both physically and mentally) environment.

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